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Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Washington, D. C., 20054

Dear Secretary Dortch:

I would like to file an ex-parte notice of a visit with Commissioners Kevin Martin and Jonathan Adelstein, and legal advisors Dan Gonzalez and Scott Bergmann on November 5, 2004 to discuss comments filed by the University of Virginia Health System regarding the Rural Healthcare Support Mechanism (WC 02-60).

RE: WC Docket No. 02-60

Subsequent to that visit, a copy of the November 1, 2004 Institute of Medicine Report "Quality Through Collaboration: The Future of Rural Health" was provided to each of the five Commissioners, in support of our comments.

Sincerely,

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